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Drop Gala Day When Show Banned

Give Faculty Proposal For Government

Charge Present Student Council
Is Unsatisfactory and Ad-
vance Plan for Change in
Membership.

DROP SEX QUALIFICATION

Charging that the present Student Council is not representative of the student body and that it is not performing its prescribed duties in a satisfactory manner, two council members, Dick O'Brien, '36, and Franklin Buxton, '35, have presented a "Proposed Student Government Plan" to the faculty committee on student relations that would remodel the present Student Council. The plan will be presented to the Student Council at a meeting next Wednesday.

The plan, as outlined by O'Brien and Buxton, calls for a council of nine members: One member selected from each class, four elected at large, and a president selected by the council from outside its members. Sex qualifications for office would be abandoned, if the plan were to be put into effect, its sponsors said.

Elections Every Semester

"In order to eliminate fraudulent voting that has so often characterized past elections, our plan would provide for a registration of voters early each semester," O'Brien said. "The signatures of voters at each election would be compared with the student's signature on the registration list. This would do away with students voting more than once."

The terms of council members would be for one semester, according to the plan. Two faculty advisors would be retained from the present council, but the plan calls for the president of the University selecting the advisors from members of the faculty committee on student relations.

"We feel that the faculty advisors can serve better as a go-between the faculty and the students, if this reform is carried out," O'Brien said Thursday.

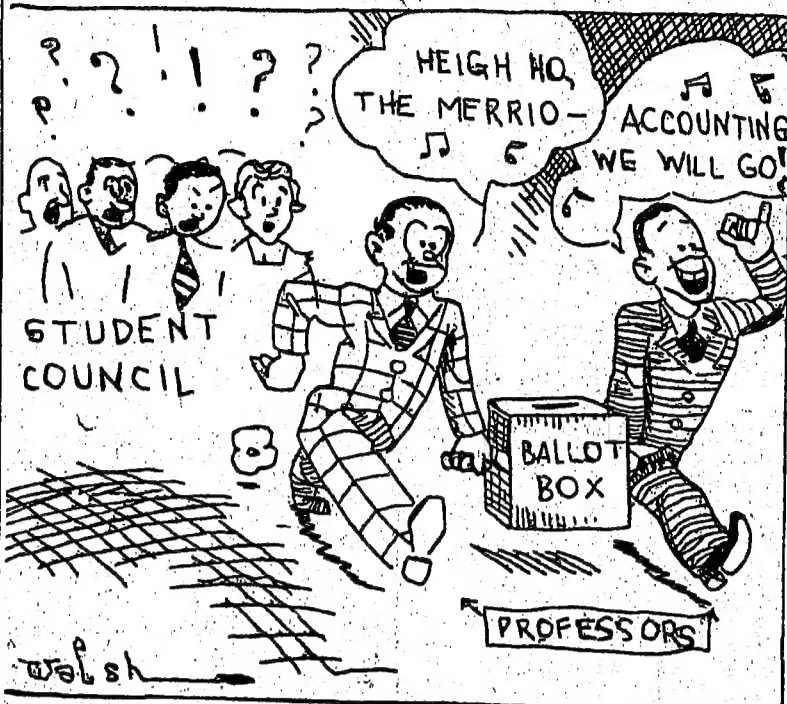
Both sponsors of the plan are anxious to have the student body vote on the suggestions they have made.

Women Hold Golf, Tennis Tournaments

Second rounds in both tennis and golf, in the women's tournament, are being played this week. Third round play must be finished by Wednesday, May 16, according to Avis Kristenson, who is in charge of the tournament.

The finals must be played by May 23. Winners in the finals will be announced at the spring banquet of the W. A. A. The tourney was open to all girls in the University.

Their Master's Voice



Senior Class Day May 18

Assembly, Picnic, and Banquet
on Program; Rev. Traub
Baccalaureate Speaker.

Senior announcements, including plans for Senior Day and baccalaureate services were made early this week by Jay Planteen, class president.

May 18, set aside as Senior Day, will open with a special assembly at which seniors will entertain underclassmen and faculty. A picnic will be held in the afternoon; in the evening the juniors will give a banquet in honor of the seniors.

Rev. Walter H. Traub, pastor of the Kountze Memorial church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon Sunday, June 3, at the Kountze Memorial church.

Caps and gowns to be worn at the baccalaureate sermon and at the graduation exercises June 7, may be rented through the bursar's office, Mr. Crenshaw has announced.

Rinehart-Marsden has been selected as the senior class photographer.

Sigma Tau Delta To Hold Picnic

A picnic supper at Jay Planteen's shack near Valley will be the feature of the Sigma Tau Delta meeting Wednesday, May 16.

A play, "Nothing New Under the Sun," will be given by the Merry Mount Players, an organization made up largely of Sigma Tau Delta members.

Following the program pledges will be initiated and new officers will be elected for next year.

Bess Greer, '33, left for Chicago Wednesday evening. She has been awarded a music scholarship for the summer.

Junior-Senior Dinner Friday

Will be Followed by All-
University Dance in Jacob's
Hall.

The annual Junior-Senior Banquet at the Tudor Arms Tearoom, 131 South 39th street, at 6:30 Friday evening, May 18, will be followed by an all-university dance in the gym at 9 o'clock, Duane Butler, junior class president, said Wednesday.

"We are making a determined effort to insure the success of this traditional dinner and we feel that the cause merits the co-operation of every junior and senior," he declared.

The gymnasium has been selected by the committee for the dance in an effort to center the all-school activities of the day on the campus. The price of the dance has been set at 35c a couple so that all may attend, Butler said.

Both the banquet and the dance are being held in honor of the senior class. A large turnout is expected, according to the committee. Butler is assisted by Margaret Higgins, junior class vice-president, and Bob Johnson, secretary-treasurer.

Humanities Class Hears MacDonald

Alan MacDonald, prominent Omaha architect, spoke before a meeting of the Humanities class in the auditorium Wednesday morning.

The desire for Omahans to move further west is the great calamity of Omaha architecture, Mr. MacDonald said. The naturally beautiful locations in the less "stylish" parts of the city are ideal sites which would inspire examples of native architecture.

Dean Decides to Replace Gala Show With Jubilee

No One Knows Who Abandoned Gala Day, But Everyone
Agrees; Neither Faction in Night Show Battle Will
Concede Anything in Conference With Dr. James.

NO COUNCIL VOTE ON MATTER

There will be no Gala Day.

Everyone concerned seemed convinced of that fact late this week, although no one knew who had decided there would be no Gala Day.

The student council, which ran into difficulties earlier in the year in an attempt to change traditional Gala Day festivities, did not vote on the matter at its Wednesday meeting. It assumed that Gala Day had been abandoned.

Who Was May Queen? That's One for Winchell

Who was elected May Queen at Municipal University in the spring of 1934 may be the deathbed revelation of some faculty member. That is the only way anyone will ever find out.

Last spring the name of the queen, to be kept a secret until Gala Day, was made known by someone, and the local papers published the news. The student council counted the votes.

This year the votes were counted by Mrs. Rene D. Stevens and Dr. L. O. Taylor, faculty members. Since there will be no Gala Day, the results of the election will remain a secret.

To Elect Council Representatives

Student council representatives for next year will be selected at an election in the men's faculty building Wednesday, May 23, the student council ordered Wednesday. Petitions from candidates must be handed in to Miss Ruth Diamond, women's physical education director, by Wednesday noon, May 16.

There are four vacancies on the council. They are: Juniors, boy and girl; sophomores, girl; and freshmen, boy.

Petitions from candidates must be signed by fifteen students and one faculty member.

Prospects for New Uni. Buildings Rise

Prospects of the government loan for university buildings rose sharply the first part of this week when word was received from Washington that the grant has been approved by all divisions of the public works administration, and will be made as soon as congress appropriates additional funds.

Miss Nell Ward, professor of chemistry, has been elected a member of the Quota International club.

Woodrow Tietz, president of the council, reported that Dr. W. H. Thompson, dean of men and president of the alumni association, was planning a silver jubilee to replace Gala Day.

James Bans Show

Because neither side in the Gala Night Show controversy would concede any point, the presentation of any official show on that night was forbidden by Dr. W. Gilbert James, chairman of the committee on student activities, at the close of a conference with both factions, Thursday, May 3.

The central committee, headed by Troy Woerner, wanted to stage "The Rear Car," a play chosen by Woerner, and a faction headed by Leon Fouts wanted to put on "Pass the Bucks," a musical comedy written by Ralph Kahn and Adolph Schneider, originally chosen by the committee, but thrown out when the authors insisted on directing it.

'Not Big Enough'

"It's a bad situation when students can't be big enough to sacrifice personal prejudices—and fraternity prejudices as well—for the sake of the school," said Dr. James.

Dr. James declared he did not know who had the authority to do away with Gala Day. His only action was banning the show.

Iowa State Tilt Off, Play Drake Tomorrow

With a return match with Iowa State college postponed, the golf team schedule contained only one meet this week, a tangle with Drake on the Valley View course tomorrow.

The Ames contest, scheduled for "Tuesday the 10th" by Hugo Ottopalik, Iowa State coach, was officially but indefinitely postponed yesterday in a letter to Coach Sed Hartman. The Cyclone mentor admitted he was confused on the date.

W. A. A. Banquet

The annual spring banquet of the Women's Athletic Association has been tentatively scheduled for May 23. The banquet will bring W. A. A. activities to a close for the summer.

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GREEK GRADES

GREEK scholastic standings released last week by the registrar show the sororities leading the fraternities by two points. Neither group has anything to boast about however, their records being scarcely more than respectable.

Seventy-seven, the average of the fraternities, is the catalogue equivalent for C. The sorority average of 79 is little better; the required score for B is 85.

It is too bad that the standings of the Barbs are not available for comparison. Our own idea is that they would be about the same, but we would like to know.

In a way the Greek standings have been a little disillusioning to us. Naturally we were not naive enough to suppose Greeks were chosen on the basis of intellectual stature; still we didn't think the opposite was true either.

Somewhere in our dabbings in psychology we'd gathered the impression that people of superior social and economic status were likely also to be of superior intellectual calibre. There must have been a flaw in our reasoning somewhere.

Question: When is an election not an election?

Answer: When it is conducted by the Student Council.

PROSPECTS

JOBS for college graduates apparently more plentiful, the Literary Digest concludes, after receiving replies to questionnaires sent to editors of key college daily newspapers in widely separated parts of the country.

The Literary Digest asked college editors two questions. The first was on prospects for jobs this June, and the second was on the advisability of students continuing in post-graduate work if jobs could not be obtained.

The survey disclosed optimism on the part of June graduates, "with students hopeful of stepping from study

halls into business and professional worlds." Only one editor, Joe Hornaday of The Daily Texan, described graduates' prospects for jobs gloomy.

June graduates at Municipal University, like those at larger and better known universities, are optimistic over the chances for securing work in June. Business conditions are undeniably improving; even the most die-hard republican on the campus will admit it.

There is little likelihood of all the graduates finding work, but chances are certainly much better than for the past two or three years. Because of the low pay in teaching and the uncertainty about finding a position, several grads are planning to enter graduate schools. They feel that within the next year economic conditions will have improved to a point where jobs will be more plentiful and wages higher. They also feel that when competition becomes less keen there will be less emphasis on "pull" and more emphasis on the actual qualifications of the individual.

Add figures of speech: Inscrutable as Dr. Taylor.

"In spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to what the girl has been thinking about all winter."—Prof. M. B. Battenhouse, Albion College.

BLACK EYE

(The New Yorker)

WHENEVER the students at any of the local colleges or universities boil over, as they did last week in the anti-war strike, the worried educators always explain hastily that the demonstration was begun by "outsiders." We are getting a little bit tired of this.

It is almost axiomatic now that in reading a report of a campus agitation you come to the sentence: "Dean G— went back to his office and issued a statement blaming the disorder on outsiders."

To us, the unwillingness of the college authorities to take any of the credit for the institution's own vitality is depressing. It isn't precisely a sin to make a fuss about something you feel deeply about; yet at the first flash of a banner the educators get red around the ears and try to hide the university in a desk drawer where the nasty old press won't be able to find it. They fear "unpleasant publicity."

Looking back over a number of years of collegiate cutting-up, it seems to us that it is the deans and the presidents who come out badly and give the institution a black eye, not the students.

"Being an uneducated man, his views on the Press were lurid and fantastic."

—Peter Fleming.

Nuts to You

By HOWARD WILCOX

Professor Blank is a sick man.

We interviewed him yesterday. He put the dice in his pocket as we entered his office.

"Did you hear bones rattling?" he queried, his eyes bulging like a pair of billiard balls. We assured him we did.

"Those were my bones," sobbed the professor. "Woe is me! I have arthritis, jaundice, diarrhoea, cholera, erysipelas, leukosemia, the bubonic plague, yellow fever, the mumps, and hatitosis."

"I'm swollen all over," he rolled up his sleeve. "Look at that elbow! Some joint, eh, kid?"

He burst into tears when he told us the doctor had cut him down to twenty cuss words per day.

"Man of letters that I am," he went on, "I hear risen to the occasion. Sick as a dog, I have made this day a day of history."

"Every dog has his day," we quoted. "Explain yourself."

"I have written a poem," said Fillin D. Blank. "A poem about love."

He handed us a piece of Hotel Jefferson stationery, and we deciphered the following:

LOVE POME

Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
I got hay fever,
What's it to you?

Hold my hand,
And let me feel you near,
Hold my hand,
I have ring-worms, my dear.

I don't know why I love you
like I do,
I don't know why, I just do;
You never seem to want my
romancing,
Whenever you hold me, I
start St. Vitus dancing,
I don't know why—

We heard a crash. The room shook. Looking up, we saw one of the janitors, the varsity fullback, crumpled up in a corner. Prof. Blank was standing over him, flat clenched.

"He opened a window!" cried Blank. "He would give me pneumonia! Doesn't he know I'm a sick man?"

Sport Bulletins

Batting odds on the recent May Queen derby, as calculated by Franklin Buxton, veteran dopest, are as follows:

Munt, 2 to 1
Hansen, 4 to 1
Pedersen, 5 to 1
Schnurmann, 10 to 1
Harkins, 43 to 1
Greenstone, 100 to 1

At batting practice last Thursday, the sophomores nabbed seventeen birdies, which they dunked in the bird bath.

Latest mixed doubles entrants are:

Antnes-Anderson
Clancy-Hulst

"If they were strict about cribbing at Omaha University, there wouldn't be any university."

—F. H.

Thetas Will Honor Mothers At Tea Soon

A tea honoring the mothers of Theta Phi Delta members will be held at the Green Garden Tea Room, 4823 Florence Boulevard, Sunday, May 20.

Judge Herbert R. Rhoades of the district court will speak. About 70 are expected.

Phi Delta Psi Plan Busy Spring Season

A picnic, a bridge buffet supper and a spring dance are included in Phi Delta Psi sorority plans for the closing of the semester. The bridge buffet supper will be held May 18 at the home of Helen Henningson.

Ninety-six students have surnames that begin with the letter "H".

Jewish Sorority Now On Campus

Ten Charter Members Are Waiting for Approval of Application.

A new sorority, Alpha Gamma Chi, has applied for recognition on the campus. It was organized January 1, with ten charter members.

Officers of the sorority are Rose Shafer, president; Janet Graetz, vice-president; Sylvia Silverman, secretary-treasurer; and Esther Green, Beth Platt, Bernice Perlmeter, Geraldine Strauss, and Betty Fellman.

Mrs. Pearl Weber, philosophy instructor, is sponsor of the new sorority.

Prof. V. Royce West spoke on "Germany and Hitler" before the junior department of the Woman's club Tuesday evening.

They Say at College

Wounding of one candidate and abduction of another has caused University of Alabama authorities to postpone until fall election of the editor of the Crimson and White, student weekly.

Andrew B. Manning, one candidate, was recently shot in the thigh by an unidentified man, while his opponent, Frank Muscal, reported that he had been forced into an automobile by two masked men and taken for a ride.

Flying grapefruit and onions today turned an anti-war meeting of Harvard students into a burlesque battle. More than two thousand students gathered in the Harvard yard for an anti-war conclave, called by the National Student league.

Scarcely had the meeting got under way when members of the Chowder and Marching clubs of Harvard appeared.

They shouted "We want war." They got it.

Vegetables filled the air. One of the pro-war students, dressed as a Boy Scout, sounded martial blasts from a trumpet.

Another, dressed in nazi garb, shouted: "Hell, Hitler."

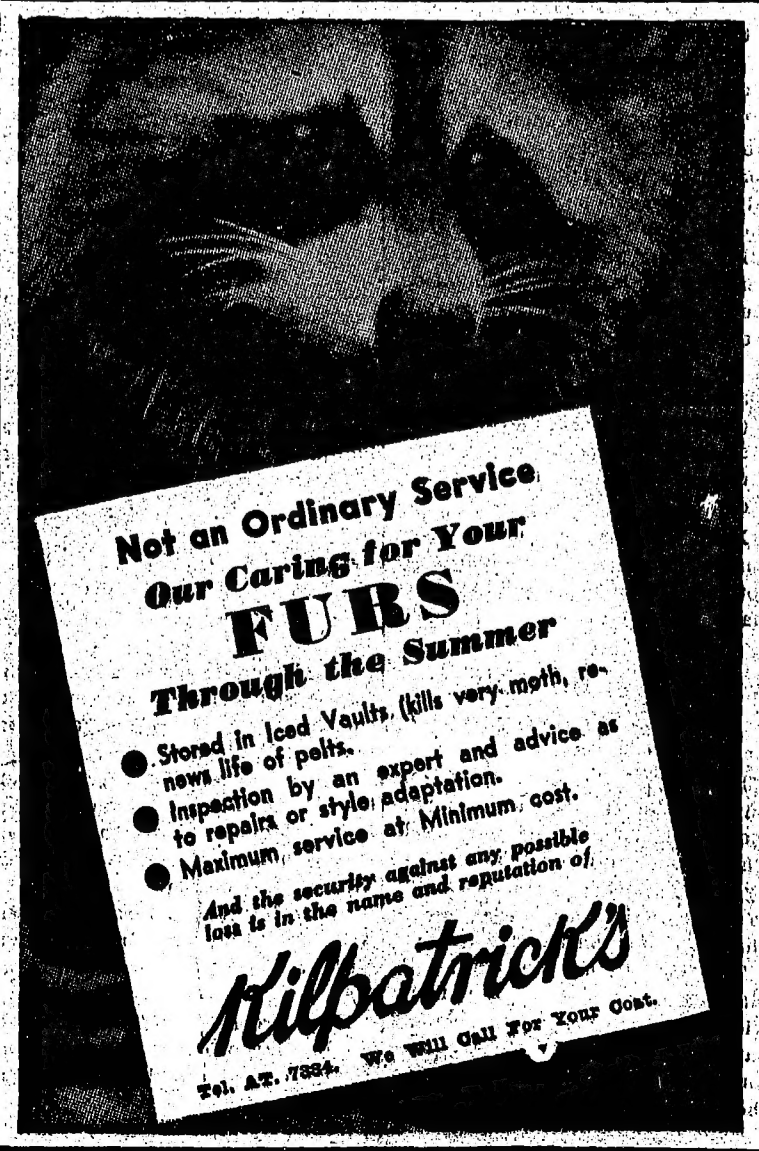
The anti-war groups attempted vainly to address the crowd, a vociferous group breaking into a rollicking song, calling upon the students to "fight, fight, fight."

The meeting was finally disrupted when the entire gathering delivered a standard Harvard cheer.

Mathematics has been dropped as a requirement for the bachelor of arts and bachelor of science degrees at Northwestern university.

There are now only three requirements for each degree: English, a foreign language, and either Latin or Greek for the A. B. degree; English, a foreign language, and either natural science or mathematics for the B. S. degree.

Five years ago Prof. Robert E. Rogers of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, advised his students to "marry the boss' daughter," but now he tells them, "Marry the stenographer instead." For he says, "She has a job, and the boss' daughter is broke."



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Twenty-Five Year History of Omaha University

The University of Omaha was organized in 1908 as a private, co-educational, non-sectarian institution. Twenty-seven students registered when the first semester began September 14, 1909. Classes met in the old Redick mansion, located on the present site of Joslyn Hall. At later dates the John Jacobs Memorial Gymnasium was given by Mrs. M. O. Maul, and Joslyn Hall by Mrs. George A. Joslyn.

Dr. Daniel E. Jenkins, first president of the University, served eighteen years, retiring in 1926. During the following year Dr. W. Gilbert James, present Dean of the college of fine arts, administered the University. During the academic year 1927-28 the president was Dr. Karl F. Wettstone, and during the years 1928-30 the president was Dr. Ernest W. Emery. During 1930-31 Dr. James again administered the University.

On May 6, 1930, by vote of the citizens of Omaha, a bill was

passed, calling for the establishment of a municipal university. In compliance with the provisions of the statute, a board of regents composed of nine citizens of Omaha was appointed by the Board of Education. Just as the board of regents initiated its administration, it was enjoined from levying the necessary tax for the support of the newly established institution. The right of the regents to levy this tax was, however, upheld by both the District Court and the State Supreme Court, and consequently the Municipal University of Omaha became a reality in January, 1931.

The same month the trustees of the University of Omaha formally transferred the university properties to the city of Omaha.

Dr. W. E. Sealock, head of the teachers' college, University of Nebraska, was called to be president of the Municipal University in September, 1931. Eleven new faculty members were also added

at that time.

In 1933 the University was divided into two colleges, the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Fine Arts. The curriculum was revised to conform with modern theories of education. Broad survey courses in the major fields of human knowledge were required of all entering students. Correct use of English and a reading knowledge of some foreign language were made requirements for admittance to junior standing.

The number of volumes in the university library was more than doubled in 1933 through the purchase of the entire library of the defunct Tabor College of Tabor, Ia. The reading space in the library was also increased through the annexation of a class room for this purpose. Miss Inez Chesnut is head librarian.

The plan of asking the PWA for funds was conceived by the regents of the University last Au-

gust. After several weeks of discussion concerning the legality of the project, the regents revised the plan to propose that the federal government erect the buildings and lease them to the University.

An application was finally drawn up. It was approved at a meeting of the regents October 28 by the judiciary committee, and presented before the state public works advisory board at Fremont November 2. The state PWA approved the project November 18. Since

that time it has been in Washington awaiting the final approval of the federal government.

New faculty members being added each year, the University at present has a staff of forty-two professors and instructors.

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Track, Net Vies With Peru Today

Triangular Contest Against Bobcats for University Cinder Aggregation.

Coach Sed Hartman's track team meets its first conference rivals in a triangular meet at Peru this afternoon.

The Omaha lineup was still uncertain Thursday.

The tennis team will play Peru at the same time. Bob Brown, Joe Greenstone, Cliff Pfeiffer, and Don Benjamin will represent Municipal University.

Stanley Putnam, regular tennis team member, was expected to be replaced by Benjamin. Putnam was not to play because the golf team, of which he is a member also, plays Drake tomorrow.

GIRLS TO BAT

Round-robin tournaments in baseball will start Monday, May 14, Miss Ruth Diamond, director of physical education for women, announced this week. The tourney will include all gym classes which play baseball.

HOLD ARCHERY DAY

Archery day was held yesterday at the Science Hall athletic field from 3 to 5 o'clock. Novelty shooting was one of the features of the day. Mary Ann Harrington, '37, was in charge of the affair.

Refreshments were served afterwards.

For purposes of voting and holding office, the minimum credit requirements for each class are: Sophomore, 23; Junior, 53; Senior, 89.

Dr. Lyman Harris addressed the German club May 3.

Dr. West Receives Gateway Applications

The Board of Student Publications will meet soon to select next year's Gateway and Student Directory staffs, Prof. Royce West, chairman of the board, said Wednesday.

The board is "immensely pleased with the number of applications that have been handed in and the interest students have taken in the matter."

Doty High Senior

Franklin Doty is the highest ranking June senior according to figures compiled by Edwin Callin, '35, for Dr. Edgar A. Holt, dean of the college of arts and sciences. Doty's average for four years of college work is 3.9, with grades figured as follows: A-4, B-2, C-2, D-1.

A group of art students will go to Kansas City this week-end to see the Nelson Memorial gallery.

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